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If radical Republicans can have their way the coming session of Congress will see a political fight not equalled in intensity and bitterness since the Republicans tried to pass the notorious force bill. The object now is the same it was then—to curtail the political power of the South. The present scheme of the radicals is to have the reapportionment bill under the new census provide for a reduction of the representation in Congress and of the electoral votes of nearly everyone of the Southern States. Needless to say that the Democrats in the House and Senate will to a man fight such a bill to the last ditch with every legislative weapon at their command, and those weapons can be made effective enough in the Senate, if not in the House, to block all business for the entire session if it becomes necessary to prevent action on the bill. Mr. McKinley does not at present favor this scheme, but that gives no assurance that he will not favor it later. He is a follower, not a leader, of his party, and he is likely to repeat his Porto Rican sennsault, if the radicals can control the Republican caucuses of the House and Senate. Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, seems to be hankering after the leadership of the radicals in the Senate.

The Orphans' Day.

The Times publishes with pleasure the following appeal from Rev. Dr. Jacobs, president of Thornwell Orphanage.

"Thursday, November 29th, is the orphans' day. Give, brother, with all your heart, because the Lord has blessed you. There are plenty of orphanages to remember, help your own, and then remember that there are two hundred orphans at the Thornwell Orphanage, Clinton, drawn from every Southern State and some Northern States, and even from the isles of the sea. They are from many denominations of Christians as well as from non-Christian parentage. Bereft of parents, they are alone in the wicked world, forgotten, perhaps in the localities from which they came, but loved and cared for and trained for future usefulness by faithful teachers and matrons. Taught a trade, and given mental training as well, they leave their orphan home to care for themselves. Send your spare gifts to the Thornwell Orphanage, Clinton, S. C."

The Landford Power.

The State, Saturday: Colonel Leroy Springs, of Lancaster, was in Columbia yesterday and being corralled and pumped without mercy, the following information as to the electric power and mill developments in his section of the State was secured. Colonel Springs is president of the Lancaster Cotton Mills, now of 12,600 spindles, but about to be increased to some 65,000 spindles by the addition of Mill No. 2, the excavations for which are now going on.

Colonel Springs is also president of the Landsford Power Company, which is about to be reorganized with ample capital with the object of developing 10,000 horse power of water at Landsfords on the Catawba river in Lancaster and Chester counties. It is intended to utilize this power by distribution to Lancaster, Chester, Rock Hill and Fort Mill, and to Charlotte if the demands of the four places named shall not be sufficient to absorb the supply. At Lancaster the power will be used by the Lancaster mills, 2,000 horse power; at Chester by the Springton cotton mills, of which Colonel Springs is president, the Eureka and Wyche mills and also by the town of Chester for its electric light service, the total consumption being from 2,000 to 2,500 horse power. There is demand for the power at Rock Hill and Fort Mill, but the details of distribution have not been decided upon.

The Services Required of Murder.

A Yorkville special says that after remanding out one hour and thirty-six minutes the jury in the case of Paul Bratton and John S. Beaton, charged with the murder of Harry A. Brown, in Rock Hill on the night of September 14 last, at 3:25 o'clock Saturday afternoon returned a verdict of not guilty. John S. Beaton was the only witness put on the stand Saturday. In answer to questions by W. W. Lewis, esq., he told his story about as follows:

"I am 38 years of age and was married in 1887 to Miss Fannie Crockett. Four children have been born to us and two of them, both girls, are living. I loved my wife and children as my life."

"On the night of September 13, I went to bed in my room in the front part of the house. My little daughter was sleeping in the same room. Between 9 and 10 o'clock my wife came into the room, as I thought, to arrange the covering and mattress of the bed in which the child was sleeping and went out. She had had some teeth pulled that afternoon and fearing that she was restless, I started to her room to see if there was anything I could do for her. Upon reaching her door I heard a whispered conversation inside. I was horror struck and went back to my room to get my pistol, for I recognized one of the voices as that of a man. The pistol was usually kept between the mattresses of the large bed in which the child slept. It was not there. I went back to the room and demanded admission. The door was not opened and I went around to a window. H. A. Brown was climbing out. I seized him, and commenced beating him with my fist. My health is not good at any time and on that occasion was especially bad. Brown being a strong man, got the better of me and tangled me in a swing with the rope around my neck. I called for help as long as I could, until I was unable to make a sound. Presently neighbors came in answer to my cries and I resumed pounding him with my fist. I also got a small stone and beat him with that. I asked for a weapon, a pistol, with which to shoot him or a knife with which to cut his throat, but as they did not give me a weapon I went in the house to put on my clothes.

"Mrs. Bratton was present during the struggle. She was clad only in a loose wrapper. I said: 'My God, Fannie, have I got such a wife as this?' She did not answer; I felt that it was my duty to kill her, but had no weapon with which to do it and I offered her no violence. She denied her guilt at first, but during the next afternoon confessed that Brown had come to the window and she had allowed him to enter the room, after which they put out the light. Mrs. Bratton claimed that her intimacy with Brown was due to threats made by Brown against her life, but she had never intimated anything of the kind before that night.

"I determined then and there that I would kill Brown whenever I should find him. I sent for my brother, Paul, to go to Rock Hill with me after Brown. Paul tried to persuade me not to go, but I told him that I would go whether he went or not. I was not certain that we would find Brown, for I was aware that my wife had written him to escape or he would be killed. It took me some time after reaching Rock Hill to find the place. I knocked at the door. Mr. Neal came down. I asked for Brown, saying that I wanted him to do some painting and must see him at once. Mr. Neal went back and forth twice before I concluded that Brown was not coming out. The third time I followed Mr. Neal to Brown's room. I could see him clearly and that there was no one else in bed with him. I saw no other bed in the room. I fired at him twice and left the room.

"Outside, I told the negro, Will Caldwell, 'I have shot Brown. Don't you tell? We then came back to Yorkville. I surrendered to the sheriff voluntarily as soon as I heard of the verdict at the inquest. I did not go to bed after the incident of Thursday night until Sunday night."

Attention, Ft. Mill Lt. Infantry.

You will assemble at the armory on Saturday afternoon, Nov. 24, 1890, at 3 o'clock in full uniform for an inspection.

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W. R. BRADFORD, Captain.

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NOTICE OF SALE.

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,
COUNTY OF YORK.

In the Common Pleas.
Henry Mussey as Administrator of Frank H. Brown, deceased, Plaintiff, Against Mary P. Brown et al., Defendants.

By virtue of a decree of said court in the above action, brought to marshal the estate of Frank H. Brown, deceased, I shall cause to public sale the following real and personal estate of said deceased, at the times and places stated below:

At York court house on the first Monday in December, 1890.

REAL ESTATE.

The F. H. Brown Home Place of about Three Hundred and Forty-six Acres, bounded by lands now or formerly of F. H. Rawlinson, David Webb, John Barron and other lands of F. H. Brown.

The Samuel Johnson tract of Forty-nine Acres, adjoining the lands of Joe Miller et al.

The Elias Wilson tract of Seventy-five Acres, adjoining the Home Place of F. H. Brown and lands of Peter Garrison et al.

The above three places lie in one body, and will be sold in three parcels as designated by numbers and acreage in plat of W. N. Elder, on file in the clerk's office, to wit:

No. 11 223½ acres
No. 12 118½ acres
No. 13 108 acres

The B. P. Rawlinson tract, containing Seven Hundred and Thirty-six (736) Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of F. H. Brown, Peter Garrison and W. J. Rawlinson, the same being the tract conveyed to F. H. Brown by J. H. Lowry on December 9th, 1870.

The John Barron tract, containing One Hundred and Thirty Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of F. H. Brown and Henry Hope.

The Garrison tract, conveyed to F. H. Brown by Jefferson Garrison, containing Ninety Acres, and bounded by F. H. Brown's Avery tract, Jenkins tract, Barron tract and Home Place.

A wedge of land running into the B. P. Rawlinson tract, from the south, containing Ten Acres.

The above four places lie in one body and will be sold in eight parcels as designated by said plat, to wit:

No. 1 92 acres
No. 2 114 acres
No. 3 115 acres
No. 4 130 acres
No. 5 172 acres
No. 6 121 acres
No. 10 144 acres
No. 16 81 acres

The McElwee tract, lying on the waters of Big Allison creek, containing Two Hundred and Ten Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of F. H. Brown, Ben Bridges estate, and Mrs. Robertson Miller, the same being the tract conveyed to F. H. Brown by S. A. McElwee on January 22d, 1876.

The Youngblood place, containing about Seventy Acres.

The above two places lie in one body, and will be sold in two parcels, as designated on said plat, to wit:

No. 11 180 acres
No. 12 118 acres

A tract of Two Hundred and Eleven Acres, known as the Stephen M. Johnson land, on the Landsford road, about six and one-half miles from Yorkville, adjoining lands now or formerly of J. J. Miller et al.

To be sold in two parcels, as designated on said plat, to wit:

No. 17 107½ acres
No. 18 109½ acres

The Avery place, containing about Three Hundred Acres, lying on Tool's Fork of Fishing creek, and bounded by lands now or formerly of F. H. Brown, William Thompson and others, also known as the Carroll place.

To be sold in two parcels, to wit:

50 Acres conveyed to Mrs. M. E. Massey.

The remainder of said tract, 250 Acres.

This Hilliard McCall place, containing about Two Hundred and Fifteen Acres, on the Station's Springs road, about three miles west of Yorkville, to be sold in two parcels, as designated on said plat, to wit:

No. 19 107½ acres
No. 20 109½ acres

The Avery place, containing about Three Hundred Acres, lying on Tool's Fork of Fishing creek, and bounded by lands now or formerly of F. H. Brown, William Thompson and others, also known as the Carroll place.

To be sold in two parcels, to wit:

50 Acres conveyed to Mrs. M. E. Massey.

The remainder of said tract, 250 Acres.

A tract of Two Hundred and Ninety Acres, on Landsford road, about seven miles from Yorkville, bounded by lands now or formerly of Avery, Carothers, Miller, Johnson, Hanchett et al., known as the Jenkins tract.

A tract of One Hundred and Forty-eight Acres, on the York and Chester road, in Ebenezer township, adjoining lands now or formerly of Brown and others, conveyed to F. H. Brown by W. H. Williamson in 1871, known as the XI Barron place.

The Adkins tract, containing One Hundred and Forty-five and One-half Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of Mrs. Ballard McElwee, Misses Mary and Caroline Sardine, Mrs. Margaret Thompson and F. H. Brown, the same being the tract conveyed to F. H. Brown by B. P. Rawlinson, on February 26th, 1870.

The Sampter tract, containing One Hundred and Ninety-four Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of Mrs. Margaret Thompson and F. H. Brown, the same being the tract conveyed to F. H. Brown by S. R. Moore, on November 28th, 1875.

The Dr. John Johnson place, containing Two Hundred and Thirty-five Acres, more or less, bounded by lands of J. W. Rawlinson, W. J. Rawlinson, Perry Martin, A. D. Holler, and F. H. Brown.

The Hope tract, purchased by F. H. Brown from Henry Hope, adjoining the lands of Witherspoon, Mrs. Mary Smith, F. H. Brown's Jenkins tract and Barron tract, containing Sixteen Acres, more or less.

The McElwee tract, purchased by F. H. Brown from Mrs. Violet McElwee, adjoining lands of Mrs. Violet McElwee, F. H. Brown's Jenkins tract, and Dr. Johnson tract, containing Eighteen Acres, more or less.

All of F. H. Brown's undivided one-half interest in all that tract of land situated in Chester county in said State, known as the Hyder Davie tract, adjoining lands of Dr. W. D. Cox, Wm. Jordan and others, containing Forty-six Acres, more or less.

PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Five shares Yorkville Female College stock, of par value of \$50.00 each.

Thirty-seven Certificates of Scholarship in Erskine College.

On Thursday at 10 o'clock a. m., following the first Monday in December,

1890, at the late residence of said deceased.

All the residue of the personal effects, consisting of plantation supplies and implements, work animals (30 mules, cattle, hogs, household furniture and so forth), 1 1/2 horse power engine and boiler and all machinery connected therewith and with the saw mill, corn mill, and roasting cotton gin, and Ross cotton press outfit on the Home Place.

TERMS OF SALE: For the land, One-fourth cash and the balance in equal installments of one and two years with interest, secured by the purchaser's bond, and a mortgage of the premises purchased to pay for papers. For the personality, Cash.

W. BROWN WYLIE, Clerk.
WITHERSPOON & SPENCER,
Attorneys for Administrator and
Heirs.

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